Examiner proposed Draft

[handwritten: for claim 1 or 15 headers and specify what need to specify what is inherent at hardware in claim 8]

1. (Currently Amended) [[A computer-based extendable application framework embodied on one or more computer-readable storage media, comprising]] A computer-readable storage media having stored thereon computer instructions for a computer-based extendable application framework that when executed by a microprocessor cause the instructions to provide:

a user interface;

a plurality of services, wherein a service includes a public interface that has an implementation and provides access to functionality in an extension;

a plurality of extensions to extend an application, wherein the plurality of extensions provide functionality accessible in the user interface, wherein an extension includes: [handwritten: claim 8]

a set of classes defined in an object-oriented programming language, and

an XML (Extensible Markup Language) description,

wherein the XML description is scanned for code fragments that are [handwritten: claim 32 *] contained within an XML tag and are to be passed to handlers defined for a particular ID attribute at runtime to batch together XML descriptions from other extensions and ensure services requested by the XML description are available, and [handwritten: 0024 *]

an optional set of resources, and [handwritten: fig 1; claim 4]

wherein the extension defines handlers for an XML tag found in the XML description; [handwritten: 6]

wherein each one of the plurality of services is associated with an extension in the plurality of extensions;

wherein one of the plurality of extensions exposes and consumes services associated with another extension in the plurality of extensions, wherein the services are consumed by the set of classes;

wherein one of the plurality of extensions provides functionality accessible in the user interface; and

wherein one of the plurality of services provides access to functionality in one of the plurality of extensions.

∂~ Attorney's suggestion